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This is in response to the Office Action dated April 24, 2002 (Paper No. 10), in the above-identified application. This response is being timely filed on or before the expiration of the shortened statutory period for response, set to expire on July 24, 2002.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of all pending claims and withdrawal of the Examiner's rejections, in light of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 7-25 are currently pending in the present application.

Withdrawal of the previous prior art rejections set forth in Paper No. 6 is gratefully acknowledged.

Applicants would like to draw the Examiner's attention to the Information Disclosure Statement filed on January 16, 2002, with Applicants' previous response. In Paper No. 10, the Examiner acknowledges receipt of the January 16, 2002 communication